

## INSTRUCTIONS

### ***REPORT FOR THE NEBRASKA HOMELESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM***

#### **SECTION II. Number of individuals assisted by race and ethnicity**

##### **New OMB Standards for Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity And U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Definitions**

The U.S. Census has changed the method of recording individuals who identify as Hispanic or Latino. Hispanic or Latino is recorded as an ethnicity rather than as a race. In addition, there are revised racial categories.

The five racial categories as revised by OMB are defined as follows:

- a) **American Indian or Alaska Native.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- b) **Asian.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- c) **Black or African American.** A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa. Terms such as “Haitian” or “Negro” can be used in addition to “Black or African American.”
- d) **Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- e) **White.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

The two ethnic categories as revised by OMB are defined as follows:

- a) **Hispanic or Latino.** A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. The term, “Spanish origin,” can be used in addition to “Hispanic or Latino.”
- b) **Not Hispanic or Latino.** A person not of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

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### Data Collection Format:

Program offices and HUD partners (grantees) should use a two-question format, meaning that separate questions for race and ethnicity should be used. Both questions must be answered. The ethnicity question should be asked before the race question. The reason for asking the questions in that order is that the U.S. Census Bureau found that by asking the ethnicity question before the race question more individuals were likely to respond to the ethnicity question. If they asked “Hispanic or Latino” or “Not Hispanic or Latino” **after** the question about race, fewer individuals answered the question on category of race. If a person refuses to self-identify on ethnicity or race, record the person based on your visual observation.

- 1) Ask if a person identifies as “Hispanic or Latino”
- 2) Ask if a person is not “Hispanic or Latino”
- 3) Ask a person what racial category s/he identifies with

### Data Counting and Reporting:

For counting and reporting purposes, the HUD format provides five single race and the four most frequent multiple race categories plus an “Other Multi-Racial” for individuals who do not identify with those nine categories.

An individual who answers “yes” to the “Hispanic or Latino” question will also identify with one of the 10 racial categories. **DO NOT LIST “HISPANIC OR LATINO” INDIVIDUALS AS ETHNICITY ONLY. THEY MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE # TOTAL AND CUMMULATIVE TOTAL.**

In the example below, there are 21 individuals who identified as “Hispanic/Latino” and as “White”. Another 6 individuals identified as “Hispanic/Latino” and as “Other Multi-Racial”. The total number of individuals who identified as “Hispanic/Latino” was 27. Those 27 individuals are included in the 46 individuals who identified as “White”. Another 6 are included in the 16 “Other Multi-Racial” in the racial categories. The total of 101 individuals includes 27 individuals who identified with the Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.

II. Number of individuals assisted by race and ethnicity:				
[IDIS CO4ME07]	Total # Race	Total # Hispanic	YTD Undup. by Race	YTD Undup. by Hispanic
1. White	46	21	46	21
2. Black/African American	14	0	14	0
3. Asian	3	0	3	0
4. American Indian/Alaskan Native	4	0	4	0
5. Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0
6. American Indian/Alaskan Native & White	2	0	2	0
7. Asian & White	0	0	0	0
8. Black/African American & White	6	0	6	0
9. American Indian/Alaskan Native & Black African American	10	0	10	0
10. Other Multi-Racial	16	6	16	6
TOTAL (should equal Item i.v.)	101	27	101	27

Any count of a multiple race combination that is not included in the reporting form that exceeds one percent of the population served should be included in a narrative. The narrative should report both the count and its population percentage.